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CARRYING OUT SAID METHOD

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 USC 121

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement in the Office Action mailed September 23, 2008, requiring an election of Species in Claims 7-15, the Applicants elect Claim 7 as generic and Claims 8 and 14 as dependent on Claim 8. This is the four mirror system. The elected four mirror system is shown in Figures 1 and 2, subject

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to the Argument presented herein.

The Applicants are of the opinion that Species 1, 2 and 3 (Claims 7, 8-10 and 14) as indicated by the Examiner are substantially a single Species, since they are united by a method of producing at least two coherent Gaussian wave beams which then interfere with each other over the substrate, with generating thereby a standing wave. Namely, Species 1, 2 and 3 use an oversized rectangular waveguide (divider 15 on Figures 1-4, see also paragraphs [0056]-[0060]) to produce two or four coherent beams. The divider operation is based on the effect of image multiplication during propagation of an electromagnetic wave through oversized rectangular waveguide (see paragraph [0044]).

An Office Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully,

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